

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL EXPEDITED PROCEDURE ART UNIT 1634

PATENT

Attorney Docket No.: VERT1120-5 (Formerly AURO1120-5)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:

Whitney et al.

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1634

Application No.:

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Examiner:

J.N. Fredman

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METHODS AND COMPOSITIONS FOR SENSITIVE AND RAPID,

FUNCTIONAL IDENTIFICATION OF GENOMIC POLYNUCLEOTIDES

AND USE FOR CELLULAR ASSAYS IN DRUG DISCOVERY

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a Response and/or Notice of Appeal to the Final Office Action mailed March 22, 2004.

The requested extension is for three months, extending the period for response from June 22, 2004 to September 22, 2004.

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CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.8

I hereby certify that the documents referred to as enclosed herein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail on September 22, 2004, in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop AF, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450,

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Enclosed is Check No. 566328 in the total amount of \$1,280.00 which consists of the fee for three month's extension of time (\$950.00) and the Notice of Appeal fee (\$330.00). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees associated with the filing submitted herewith, or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 50-1355. A copy of the Transmittal Sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: September 22, 2004

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